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SUBJ: KOREA AT 30TH UNGA

1. I REQUESTED AN APPOINTMENT WITH FOREIGN SECRETARY KHATRI NOVEMBER 4, INTER ALIA, TO DISCUSS THE KOREAN QUESTION AT THE UNGA. I BY EXPRESSING ACUTE DISAPPOINTMENT AT NEPAL'S ABSTENTION ON THE PROCEDURAL ISSUE IN THE FIRST COMMITTEE ON THE KOREAN ISSUE, DESPITE THEIR PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS TO SUPPORT US ON PROCEDURAL QUESTION.

2. I RECALLED TO THE FOREIGN SECRETARY THAT WE HAD BEEN INFORMED NUMEROUS TIMES IN THE LAST THREE WEEKS THAT AMBASSADOR UPADHYAYA IN NEW YORK HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO "FOLLOW NORMAL RULES OF UN PROCEDURE" AND TO SUPPORT PRIORITY FOR THE RESOLUTION FIRST TABLED. WE HAD IN FACT FORWARDED ONE SUCH INSTRUCTION THROUGH USUN AT THE REQUEST OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND AS LATE AS ONE DAY BEFORE THE VOTE WE HAD BEEN TOLD THAT AN ADDITIONAL CONFIRMING INSTRUCTION HAD BEEN FORWARDED TO UPADHYAYA.

3. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY REPLIED THAT THIS INDEED HAD BEEN THE CASE. FOLLOWING AN INITIAL DECISION TO GIVE UPADHYAYA DISCRETION ON PROCEDURAL VOTING, THE MFA HAD INSTRUCTED HIM
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ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS TO "FOLLOW NORMAL RULES OF PROCEDURE."

KHATRI SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO THE NUMEROUS TELEGRAMS HE PERSONALLY HAD CALLED UPADHYAYA IN NEW YORK THE NIGHT BEFORE THE VOTE IN ORDER TO REITERATE THOSE INSTRUCTIONS. CLEARLY, KHATRI SAID, THEY HAD NOT BEEN FOLLOWED AND HE WAS REQUESTING AN EXPLANATION." KHATRI NOTED THAT UPADHYAYA HAD ARGUED EARLIER THAT THE "PROCEDURAL ISSUE HAD BEEN COMPLICATED" BY A NUMBER OF AMENDMENTS TO THE ORIGINAL RESOLUTION WHICH, UPADHYAYA CONTENDED, WEAKENED THE ARGUMENT FOR PRIORITY FOR OUR SIDE.

4. I SAID THAT THAT SIMPLY WAS NOT TRUE, SINCE THE THRUST OF OUR RESOLUTION HAD NOT BEEN ALTERED AND A REVISION TO A RESOLUTION MAINTAINED THE PRIORITY OF THE ORIGINAL TEXT. KHATRI ALSO SAID THAT UPADHYAYA HAD BEEN SWAYED BY OVERTURES FROM THE NORTH KOREANS URGING THAT AS MEMBERS OF THE NON-ALIGNED BOTH COUNTRIES SHOULD SHOW SOLIDARITY ON THIS ISSUE.

5. I NOTED TO THE FOREIGN SECRETARY THAT, BARRING A COMPROMISE EFFORT, BOTH RESOLUTIONS WOULD NOW COME BEFORE THE PLENARY FOR A VOTE. WHILE I RECOGNIZED HMG'S NATURAL INCLINATION WAS TO ABSTAIN ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THE RESOLUTIONS, I REQUESTED ONCE AGAIN THAT NEPAL REVIEW ITS POSITION WITH A VIZA TO SUPPORT OF OUR RESOLUTION AND VOTING AGAINST THE NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION, THE NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION WAS SIMPLY A BAD RESOLUTION WHICH RAN COUNTER TO NEPAL'S LONG RANGE INTEREST OF BUILDING A STRONG AND VIABLE UN. I WOULD ON THE FACE OF IT EXCLUDE SOUTH KOREA FROM NEGOTIATIONS AND WOULD LEAVE A SERIOUS VACUUM IN AN AREA OF CONTINUING TENSION.

6. I NOTED THAT IT WAS POSSIBLE THAT PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS MIT ARISE IN THE PLENARY AND EXPRESSED THE STRONG HOPE THAT WE COULD COUNT ON NEPAL'S SUPPORT IN SUCH AN EVENT.

7. KHATRI REPLIED BY SAYING THAT HE WOULD REPORT TO HIS MINISTER.

8. COMMENT: KHATRI APPEARED GENUINELY CONCERNED AT NEPAL'S FAILURE TO FOLLOW THROUGH ON THEIR COMMITMENT TO US ON

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PROCEDURE AND THIS MAY HELP ON FUTURE PROCEDURAL ISSUES ON THE KOREAN QUESTION. HOWEVER, I AM NOT AT ALL SANGUINE THAT THEY WILL MOVE BEYOND ABSTENTION ON THE SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES. CARGO

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